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SUBJECT: URANIUM ENRICHMENT - JAPANESE/AUSTRALIAN COOPERATION

REF: CANBERRA 138

1. MEMBER OF GOJ TEAM WHICH VISITED AUSTRALIA LATE 1974
INFORMED EMBOFF THAT TEAM "DISAPPOINTED" AUSTRALIANS BY ITS
LACK OF ENTHUSIASM FOR JOINT STUDY OF ENRICHMENT PLANT IN
AUSTRALIA. ACCORDING TO TEAM MEMBER, JAPAN AGREED ONLY TO
STUDY OF SUPPLY AND DEMAND FACTORS ("INTERNATIONAL MARKET-
ING") AND INSISTED ON DEFERRING STUDY OF OTHER ASPECTS OF
JOINT PROJECT, SUCH AS CAPITAL AND SELECTION OF APPROPRIATE
TECHNOLOGY. TEAM MEMBERS REQUESTED THAT DISCLOSURE THAT
FIRST-STAGEFYDYKSAIWAS SO LIMITED BE TREATED IN CONFIDENCE,
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AND ESPECIALLY THAT DISCLOSURE NOT BE REVEALED TO AUSTRALIANS,

WHO ARE SENSITIVE OVER THE LIMITED RESULTS ACHIEVED.

2. TEAM MEMBER ALSO SAID THAT AUSTRALIANS DISPLAYED LITTLE INTEREST IN POSSIBLE USE OF JAPANESE CENTRIFUGE TECHNOLOGY FOR AUSTRALIAN PLANT, THUS CONFIRMING EARLIER INDICATIONS THAT AT LEAST SOME JAPANESE AUTHORITIES SAW AUSTRALIA PLANT AS POSSIBLE OUTLET FOR JAPANESE TECHNOLOGY.

3. AGREEMENT TO STUDY INTERNATIONAL MARKETING WILL BE IMPLEMENTED THROUGH APPOINTMENT OF EXPERT COMMITTEE WITH MEMBERS FROM EACH SIDE, BUT GOJ HAS STILL NOT DESIGNATED ITS MEMBERS, AND HAS HAD NO WORD FROM AUSTRALIAN SIDE. GOJ EXPECTS STATUS OF PROJECT WILL BE DISCUSSED BY MEMBERS OF AUSTRALIAN DELEGATION EXPECTED TO COME TO JAPAN FOR SIGNING OF NARA TREATY.

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